Calling off of strike by University and College Teachers

*76. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether University and College Teachers' agitations have since been called off;

(b) if so, on what terms; and whether teaching in different colleges under Central Universities and campuses has been resumed and if so, when and to what extent;

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what efforts have so far been made to resolve the stir issues and how far the same have been successful; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to make good the loss of studies to the students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Some modifications/clarifications in the scheme of revision of pay scales announced in June, 1987 were made on September 4, 1987, following consultations with representatives of All India Federation of University and College Teachers' Organisations (AIFUCTO) These involved merger of the two grades of Readers, provision for promotion of Lecturers to the post of Readers, and advance increments to the new entrants holding research degree with corresponding benefits in career advancement. On the basis of these modifications/clarifications, the AIFUCTO called off the strike on 4-9-1987. Teaching was fully resumed in all the Central Universities by the middle of September, 1987 except in the Colleges of Delhi University where it was resumed only with effect from 26-10-1987.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) In most cases, the Universities have rescheduled their academic programme to make up the loss of teaching days. The loss of 47 teaching days in the colleges in Delhi is proposed to be made good by holding additional classes on Saturdays, curtailing the holidays and vacations and by extending the academic session.

Resource requirements of Vayudoot

*77. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the growing activity and resource requirements of VAYU DOOT, an independent organisation with a wider equity base to run the third level airline has been under consideration; and

(b) if so, the details of the decision taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The authorised share capital of Vayudoot is Rs. 25 crores. The subscribed share capital which has been progressively increased was Rs 13.5 crores as on 31st March, 1987. Keeping in view the availability of resources and the requirement of Vayudoot the equity base could be enhanced at the appropriate juncture. At present there is no proposal to change the status of Vayudoot to an independent company.

Tourism promotion in Orissa

*78 SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pelased to state:

(a) what steps the Central Government have taken to promote tourism in Orissa;

(b) what is the Central Government's share in the promotion of tourism in Orissa during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) what is the number of 5-star Hotels in existence in Orissa; and

(d) what facilities are available to the tourists in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The specific steps taken to attract tourists to Orissa include the development of tourist attractions and augmentation of accommodation facilities, publicity and promotion of specific attractions of that State in both domestic and international markets.

(b) The allocation of funds for the promotion of tourism in India is not made on a State-wise basis. The Department of Tourism and its overseas offices promote India as a whole. As part of its publicity programme, the Department has brought out several brochures, folders etc. on Orissa.

(c) There is one approved 5-star hotel with 72 rooms in Orissa. This is the Hotel Konark in Bhubaneshwar.

(d) The type of facilities available or being made available to tourists in Orissa with the Central Ministry of Tourism's financial assistance are.

(1) Forest Lodge at Simlipal

(2) Lion Safari Park, Nandankanan

(3) Public Convenience near Sun Temple, Konark

(4) Flood lighting of Khandagiri & Udaigiri

(5) Purchase of boats for Chilka Lake

(6) Fairs & Festivals at Chilka Lake

(7) Boats for Nandankanan Zoological Park

(8) Public Convenience at Bhubaneshwar & Konark

(9) Yatri Niwas at Satpada

(10) Yachts for Chilka Lake

(11) Vehicles and elephants at Simplipal

(12) Yatri Niwas at Konarak

(13) Wayside facilities at Taptapani, Angul, Sunabeda & Rameshwar

(14) Open Air theatre at Konarak.

Fire tenders for Delhi Airport

*79. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the International Airports Authority of India (IAAI) has purchased Crash Fire tenders for Delhi Airports;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and what are the main features of these fire tenders; and

(c) whether Government propose to purchase more fire tenders for other airports of the country and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir. IAAI had purchased 6 Crash Fire Tenders for Delhi Airport in the year 1977-78.

(b) The cost of each Crash Fire Tender was Rs. 17.00 lakhs inclusive of Customs Duty. These tenders have capacity to carry 7000 litres of water and 630 litres of major fire extinguishing media and are capable of a maximum throw of 65 metres through the monitor. Most of these tenders have completed 9 years of useful life.

(c) The International Airports at Bombay, Calcutta and Madras are already provided with Crash Fire Tenders. There are no immediate plans to purchase more Crash Fire Tenders for the International Airports. However, 51 Crash Fire Tenders are proposed to be procured during the current Five Year plan for being deployed at the National Airports.